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1. ON MAY 14 GHANA NEWS AGENCY RAN STORY DATED ABIDJAN WHICH COLSES WITH STATEMENT IN LAST PARAGRAPH TO EFFECT NRC CHAIRMAN ACHEAMPONG DID NOT REPEAT NOT MEET ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAVIS BECAUSE HIS TIME WAS TAKEN UP WITH OFFICIAL VISIT BY NIGER'S HEAD OF STATE. AS YOU KNOW, ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAVIS WAS RECEIVED BY COL. ACHEAMPONG ON MONDAY MAY 12 AT HIS OFFICIAL RESIDENCE IN BURMA CAMP. SECRETARY DAVIS REFERRED TO THIS MEETING AS "CORDIAL AND USEFUL". NEWS OF THIS MEETING DID NOT MOVE ON GNA WIRE ALTHOUGH GNA CORRESPONDENT WHO INTERVIEWED ASSISTANT SECRETARY AT AIRPORT PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FROM ACCRA APPARENTLY FILED STORY CONTAINING REFERENCE TO ACHEAMPONG-DAVIS MEETING.

2. GNA ON MAY 15 SENT NOTE TO LOCAL EDITORS REQUESTING THEM TO IGNORE LAST GRAPH OF MAY 14 STORY. GNA ALSO ATTRIBUTED ABIDJAN STORY TO AFP.

3. FYI: GNA WHO PRESENTS REUTERS IN GHANA ASSURES US THAT NO STORY WAS FILED TO REUTERS ALONG LINES ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL STORY I.E. TO EFFECT GHANAIAAN HEAD OF STATE "TOO BUSY" SEE ASST  
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SECRETARY. LOCAL AFP STRINGER ADMITS HE FILED STORY BASED ON EARLIER

STORIES IN GHANAIAIAN PRESS THAT MEETING HAD BEEN CANCELLED.  
WAS SURPRISED TO LEARN MEETING HAD TAKEN PLACE AND AGREED  
TO SEND IMMEDIATE CORRECTION

4. LONDON: IF YOUR CHECK REVEALS REUTERS MOVED STORY  
DENYING MEETING TOOK PLACE YOU MAY WISH REQUEST  
THEY ALSO ISSUE CORRECTION.  
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